

**Be it remembered that on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March 2026 there was a Regular Meeting of the Commissioner's Court at the County Courthouse, San Diego, Duval County, Texas. With the following members present:**

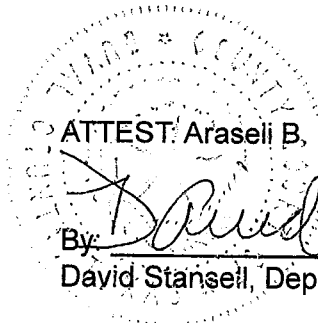
Arnoldo Cantu	Co. Judge
Pete A. Guerra	Co. Commissioner Pct. #1
Adalberto M. Vera	Co. Commissioner Pct. #2 -ABSENT
Marla M. Garza	Co. Commissioner Pct. #3
Martin M. Perez	Co. Commissioner Pct. #4
Araseli B. Lichtenberger	Co. Clerk

1. Roll Call
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Robert Elizondo spoke on press release for a safety award Duval Co. received from Tx. Association of Counties.
4. On a motion made by Commissioner Guerra and seconded by Commissioner Garza that we approve meeting minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 2026. Motion carried with all other members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
5. On a motion made by Commissioner Garza and seconded by Commissioner Guerra that we approve payment of bills. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
6. Line-item transfer from the San Diego Civic Center in the amount of \$1000.00 from Equipment to Repairs.  
Budget amendment from County Wide City streets in the amount of \$54,400.00 to Landfill-engineer permit. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none
7. On a motion made by Commissioner Perez and seconded by Commissioner Guerra that we approve department reports. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
8. On a motion made by Commissioner Guerra and seconded by Commissioner Garza that we approve action to advertise for Bids for County Roads 403 and 412 Paving Project. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.

9. On a motion made by Commissioner Perez and seconded by Commissioner Garza that we accept Hanson Quarterly Methane monitoring/2026-Task Order. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
10. On a motion made by Commissioner Guerra and seconded by Commissioner Perez that we approve action to authorize the County Judge to approve payment of a stipend to the County Judge's Administrator as Executive Assistant for additional Grant Coordinator Services. The Executive Assistant has assumed additional duties related to grant coordinator, including but not to: assisting with preparation and submission of grant applications; coordination supporting documentation and interdepartmental data collection, tracking grant deadline and reporting requirement; maintaining grant compliance files and documentation, communicating with state and federal funding agencies; assisting with programmatic and financial reporting coordination with the County Auditor and Treasurer- these duties are above and beyond the normal scope of administrative responsibilities assigned to the position. Payment of stipend to be funded from available budgeted funds from previous Tax Collection appropriate. Action Required: Approval authorization for the County Judge to provide a Stipend for Grant Coordinator Services to the transfer: (to be retroactive from January 1, 2026 up to September 1, 2026 as follows: \$250.00 for each pay period). Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
11. On a motion made by Commissioner Garza and seconded by Commissioner Perez that we table action regarding appraisal for the Duval County Library in order to sell the building and go out for bids. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
12. On a motion made by Commissioner Perez and seconded by Commissioner Guerra that we approve action on the Mutual Aid Agreement for Duval County and REAL Transportation. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
13. On a motion made by Commissioner Guerra and seconded by Commissioner Garza that we accept donation from the Wyatt Ranch Foundation for the amount of \$225,000.00. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
14. On a motion made by Commissioner Guerra and seconded by Commissioner Garza that we approve action to accept and renew subscription for the 911 addressing program ESRI ARC GIS PRO in the amount of \$689.13. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.

15. On a motion made by Commissioner Garza and seconded by Commissioner Guerra that we approve notifying the general contractor Mckinney Essention, LLC, that under the terms of the Energy Savings Performance Contracting Agreement with Duval County, they are in default of the agreement, specifically warranting that the work shall be free from defects. The board consider and approves notifying Mckinney Essention LLC, that they are terminated in light of numerous construction defect discovered which they have been notified about but have refused to acknowledge." Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against:" none.
16. On a motion made by Commissioner Garza and seconded by Commissioner Guerra that we approve authorizing Brodeur Law Firm, P.C. on an hour basic to file suit against McKinney Essention LLC and Sunland Group and any related parties on breach of contract and common negligence and related construction, design or management claims.
17. On a motion made by Commissioner Guerra and seconded by Commissioner Garza that we approve a contract with Spectrum Services for the Museum to provide Internet and telephone services in the amount of \$220 per month for 5 years plus \$200.00 installation. (Ted Daniels, IT) Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
18. On a motion made by Commissioner Guerra and seconded by Commissioner Perez that we accept Duval County Emergency Service- Annual Financial Report for the year ended September 30, 2024- District #1. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
19. On a motion made by Commissioner Guerra and seconded by Commissioner Garza that we approve action on approval of an updated engagement letter for legal services with attorney Barbara (Law Office of Barbara Canales) for purposes of (1) updating Duval County tax abatement policies and guidelines, (2) new tax abatement reinvestment zones, (3) consultation related to tax abatement requests for Duval County and (4) for the negotiation of any related tax abatement agreements and/or road use agreement as authorized by Commissioner's Court specifically but no limited to, those Proposed Solar Project tax abatement. Battery Electric Storage System abatement as well as any other industrial tax Abatement application which has been submitted or will be submitted to Duval County in 2025 or 2026.(Barbara Canales, Attorney at Law)
20. On a motion made by Commissioner Garza and seconded by Commissioner Guerra that we approve action on whether the tax abatement Application submitted by Cazadores Solar LLC in the best interest of Duval County and whether Duval County should establish a Reinvestment Zone for this project pursuant to Chapter 312 of the Texas Tax Code Section 312.201. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.

21. On a motion made by Commissioner Garza and seconded by Commissioner Guerra that we authorize re-authorization and/or amending Duval County tax abatement policies and guidelines pursuant to Chapter 312 of the Tax Code Section 312.002(c) with all associated requirements regarding notice, public hearing and comment. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
22. On a motion made by Commissioner Garza and seconded by Commissioner Guerra that we approve action approving calendar for public notice and comment for establishing a reinvestment zone for 2,277 acres of land approximately 3-mile South of City of Realitos in Duval County pursuant to an Application for tax abatement submitted by Duval County on December 11, 2025 by Cazadores Solar LLC. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.
23. Agenda items were discussed in Agenda items #20, #21 & #22, no Executive Session needed.
24. On a motion made by Commissioner Guerra and seconded by Commissioner Garza that we adjourn meeting. Motion carried with all members voting "Aye" and "Against" none.



ATTEST: Araseli B. Lichtenberger, Duval County Clerk

By: David Stanzel  
David Stanzel, Deputy Clerk

4-13-2026  
Date

Arnoldo Cantu  
Arnoldo Cantu, County Judge  
Duval County, Texas

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ARASELI B. LICHTENBERGER  
CLERK COUNTY COURT, DUVAL COUNTY, TEXAS  
BY:    DEPUTY